

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

STERN et al.	Confirmation No.	8931
Serial No.: 10/791,279	Art Unit:	1614
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Title: <b>IMPROVED pH REDUCING FORMULATION</b>		

***RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICIAL ACTION***

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Commissioner:

This paper is submitted in the above-identified application responsive to the final Official Action dated May 11, 2009, making a response due to be filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on or before August 11, 2010.

Please amend the application as follows:

**A Listing of the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.

**A Conclusion** appears at page 22 of this paper.